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20 November 2020

The Department of Education is changing the enrolment process and will now be online. The Online Enrolment System will be available from Monday 23 November. To access this, please go to our website.

PBEL

PBEL Assembly

Thank you for supporting the students and teachers in implementing our PBEL and fortnightly focus.

Principal

Dear Parents and Carers

Remembrance Day

Our school leaders, Lola and Lachlan, represented our school in a very different Remembrance Day Memorial this year. They laid a wreath at the Bicentennial Park Memorial Stone at approximately 11:00am on 11 November before returning to school and also laying a wreath at the base of our flagpole. All the students and staff at WPPS observed a minute's silence after the playing of the Last Post at 11:00am. Lest we forget.

AT BELL TIME

Be Responsible 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We respond to the music before the bell ✓ We line up quietly in our designated area ✓ We bring our belongings with us
Be Respectful 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We listen to and follow the teachers instructions
Be Safe 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ We walk on hard surfaces ✓ We wait sensibly

Kindergarten 2021

Kindergarten 2021 Information

Our last 'Taste of Kinder' session will be held on Tuesday 24 November. Drop off and collection will remain the same as previous weeks. Please don't forget to include a small snack this week to eat with the 2021 buddies. Also ensure drink bottles and hats are clearly labelled.

If you have not enrolled your child or you know of any families who will be attending WPPS in 2021 please do so asap.



School Improvement Plan (SIP)

Our new SIP which will guide the school's direction for the next four years is well underway. The process has been changed this year to include community consultation after school staff have completed a thorough and indepth situational analysis of our school. We have been participating in frequent professional learning sessions for both whole staff and the Executive team at a network and area level. We have also been engaging in professional learning provided by a team of DoE Literacy and Numeracy Strategic Advisors who have tailored a program of learning specifically for our school. In addition, we have been analysing internal and external school data, research and literature. It has been a very rigorous process where we have carefully considered all the evidence and we are now preparing for the next stage of our journey, community consultation. In the current COVID climate one of our prime considerations is how to best harness community thought and opinion. We are very excited about the new SIP and will bring you frequent updates via the newsletter to keep you informed.

Captains Elections

We have a very impressive group of candidates running for the positions of School Captain and Vice Captain. The speeches and elections will be held this coming Monday, 23 November with House Captain elections to be held the following Thursday.

Crazy Colour Run

A great time was had by all! The students and staff were awash with colour by the end of the event and I don't remember ever seeing so much laughter cram-packed into one day. Check out

the picture gallery for a sense of the fun and excitement. A huge thank you to Miss Rachel Yee and Mrs Megan Kelly for organising such a spectacular event. Wednesday was the last day for ordering prizes and today is the last day for contributing to the fundraising total. I will let you know the grand total next week after it closes today. Certainly an event to keep on our calendar!

Dancesport Confidence

The Dancesport Confidence program has been a huge success with the Year 5 students. It was wonderful to see those normally quiet and shy children blossom into confident young boys and girls. They are to be congratulated on the very high standard achieved. Their teacher, Mr Suppakorn, was his usual flamboyant self and did a fantastic job working under COVID restrictions to nurture such a talented group of children. Thank you to Miss Erin Hall and Miss Rachel Yee for all the many many hours spent organising this very special experience.

Tristania Avenue Turning Circle.

There have been many parents dropping their children off for school in the turning circle of Tristania Avenue. Please note this is a designated "No Stopping" zone. Hefty fines apply.

New Student Orientation

We have now held two of our three "Taste of Kinder" sessions and very successfully. I am impressed with how settled the mornings have been, with only a couple of tears, but some extra TLC soon calmed any anxieties. There will be one more session this coming Tuesday where Kindergarten 2021 will meet with their buddy cohort for morning tea before they go home or back to pre-school. Kindergarten 2021 parents will soon be receiving an email with details regarding Best Start interviews, first day, Tea and Tissues and start and finish times and dates for the first couple of weeks. It looks to be a wonderful little group coming to join us in the new year.

Online Enrolments

On Monday 23 November, our school goes live for online enrolments. If you are in area, with WPPS being your local school, you will no longer be required to complete a paper enrolment form, although you may still do so should you wish. If you are not in area you will not be able to use the online system. You will find FAQs about the Online Enrolment process in School News.

Have a safe and happy fortnight,

Bronwyn Wilson

Principal

Up Coming Events

Monday 23 November - Captain and Vice Captain Elections

Tuesday 24 November - "Taste of Kinder - 3"

Wednesday 25 November - Crazy Hairstyle & Sock Day

Thursday 26 November - Kindergarten Australian Reptile Excursion

Thursday 26 November - House Captain Elections

Friday 27 November - STEM Showcase (Live Streamed No Parents)

Monday 30 November to 2 December - Stage 3 Aussie Bush Camp

Monday 7 December - Presentation Day K - 6 (Live Streamed No Parents)

Wednesday 9 December - Mystery Day Out

Friday 11 December - Recognition Day - No parents

Monday 14 December - Year 6 Graduation

Tuesday 15 December - Class Parties

Wednesday 16 December - Talent Fest

Wednesday 16 December - LAST DAY (for Students)

School News

STEM Showcase



Crazy Hairstyle and Sock Day

Crazy Colour Run!

Wow, what a great day we had last Friday! The oval was awash with colour as we held our very first Crazy Colour Run. There was a slip n' slide, volleyball, sprinklers and even the chance to throw wet sponges at Mr Byers! We loved seeing the humongous smiles on each student's face as they were coated in coloured powder and sprayed by our water pistols!

Thank you to everyone who fundraised this year. We managed to raise approximately \$30 000! The prizes will take a little time to reach the school but we will start handing them out as soon as they arrive. We hope you enjoy some of the photos and stories from our wonderful day!



From The SRC

"On Friday we did the Crazy Colour Run. It was very fun. Our colour run was after lunch. We did it because we couldn't do any other events because of COVID. On the obstacle course there was a sprinkler, giant tyres to hop through, volley ball, slip 'n' slide and wet sponges." - Neil V, 1K

"The Crazy Colour Run. The obstacles were...first was being snakes and running around cones, then we got sprayed with colour. Then we played volleyball with inflatables. There was a slip and slide and then Mr Byers stuck his head in a blue goal and we threw sponges at him. Then we jumped over hurdles and ran through pool noodles to finish. PS. So it didn't get in our eyes we got sunglasses." Evie S, 1K

"I really loved the colour run because of the slippery slide. All of Year one and my friends were there with me. It was on Friday which is always the best day of the week. We had it on the oval and I love the oval. We raised some money and I love the prizes I chose." - Isla B, 1K

"I think that the Colour Run was fun. We did it on the oval to celebrate the year and for covid. It was on Friday on the thirteenth of November. My favourite part was the slip 'n' slide all of the obstacles were fun. I liked getting decorated." - Jake M, 1K

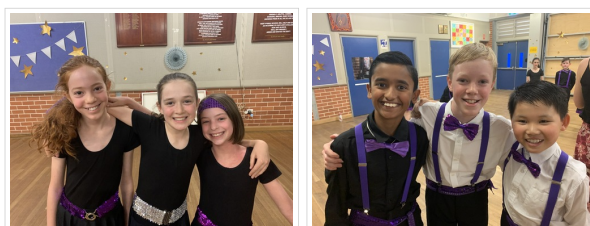
"We got to keep sunglasses. We wore sunglasses for the Crazy Colour Run. I tripped over the big volleyball five times. I got sprayed with so much colour. Now my hair is green and red. We ran through the sprinklers and I tumbled head first. I got soaked with lots and lots of colour. I had so much fun." - David D, 1K

Dancesport

On Thursday, 12 November, Year 5 students were fortunate enough to partake in our in-house Dancesport event. Due to COVID, we were unable to attend our annual Dancesport Gala night, however, we were visited by the director of the program and the president of Dancesport Australia, Gordon Gilkes. During the morning, Mr Gilkes filmed our cohort's dances. We are very much looking forward to watching this footage with the children in the upcoming weeks.

Over the course of this 15 week program students learn the Cha Cha, Tango, Salsa and Jive. The underlying theme of Dancesport is not only the dancing, but also the demonstration

of the program values of respect and personal growth through self-confidence, teamwork and resilience. Well done to all of our Year 5 students who took part in the program.



Sustainability Grant

Stage 1 were successful in obtaining a Sustainability Grant earlier this year. Each week Year 1 & Year 2 students work in our vegetable garden composting, planting, weeding and maintaining our crops. The students recognised the need for us to be more sustainable in everyday life. We brainstormed as a stage and decided that installing an irrigation system and pump would be the best solution. This week the works were completed and the students are so excited to finally use the shiny new pump!!! This water is pumped from our rain water tank (located behind the hall) and will be the only water source to care for our plants.

Stage 1 Teachers & Students





Terrific Tuesday

TERRIFIC TUESDAYS!

We would like to advise all Students, Parents and Staff that Terrific Tuesdays will be launching in week 2 of Term 4.

Terrific Tuesdays will involve the sale of yummy frozen treats from the canteen in the second half of lunch.

Terrific Tuesdays will be run by Year 6 to raise money towards the end of year gift to the school.

Frozen treats will be priced between
\$1.00 - \$2.50

Dairy Free options will be available



We look forward to keeping you cool on Tuesdays!

Thank you for your support!

West Pymble Merit List

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Term 4, Week 6

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KG	Caleb K	Harrison L	Mohammad P
KSB	Aiden A	Cielle C	Jay G
K1/E	Ashton O	Mackenzie L	Matthew J
1K	Ayaan W	Olivia S	Remy L
1/2F	Krystal C	Jeffery L	Jake T
1/2W	Logan L	Macklyn O	Oscar P
2B	Oliver B	Edward J	Charlyse M
3/4B	Niamh M	Flynn C	Xavier M
3/4F	Lachlan V	William W	Erina K
3/4N	Hannah L	Matthew J	Madeleine M
3/4OH	Chloe W	Alejandra S	Zachary A
5/6H	Grace C	Jodie M	Miles E
5/6SL	Chaya B	Daniel M	Samuel D
5/6Y	Charlie B	Lachlan M	Ruby B

Specialist Teacher	James H Ryan W	Yunho N William A
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HOUSE OF THE WEEK: Bangal

MERIT AWARD: Chloe W 3/4OH

CERTIFICATE OF MERIT: Zoya G 3/4OH, Lena O 5/6Y, Stella L KG, Isabel O K/1E, Isadora S K/1E, Zara O 5/6Y, Wolf V 5/6Y, Indiana S 2B, Dragon J 5/6H x2, Adyanth R 1/2F, Sol C 3/4N, Sienna I 3/4F

Enrolments Online

FAQs about the Online Enrolment process.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1944/faqs_enrolments_online.pdf

Message from the Office

Dear Parents and Carers,

Unfortunately the lost property pile has again exploded! Would you please ensure your child/ren look through the pile for their items. Any unlabelled lost property will be donated to charity at the end of this term. Lost property is now located outside the hall.

It is now time to apply for a 2021 bus pass. Please click on the link below for further information.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1794/school_newsletter_item_t4_2020.pdf

Library News

Library News

Thank you to all the students and their families who participated in our Book Week competitions. I was particularly impressed by the number of entries in our Great (Mainly) literary Challenge. I could see, and did hear of, a great deal of family

collaboration to complete the challenge. Congratulations to all who participated for your fantastic efforts! There were so many amazing entries. Naturally this made judging all the competitions extremely difficult, to the point where there is more than one "winner" for each competition. The results are as follows, in no particular order:

Early Stage 1 Colouring	Noah K K/1E, Doris K KG
Stage 1 Colouring	Tyler F 1/2F Jackson W 1/2F, Liam S 1/2W
Stage 2 Bookmarks	Abigail G 3/4N, Dylan Y 3/4F, Ruby B-G 3/4B
Stage 3 Curious Creatures	Avril H 5/6H, Adele L 5/6Y, Jodie M 5/6H

The Great (Mainly) Literary Challenge 2020
Riley and Micah W (5/6SL and 5/6H)
Alex and Hannah L (5/6H and 3/4N)
Hayden, Airlie and Indiana S (5/6Y, 3/4H and 2B)
Miles and Stephanie E (5/6H and 3/4OH)
Liam S (5/6 SL)
Emily B (1/2F)
Lachlan V (3/4F)

Prizes will be distributed to the lucky recipients on Monday or Tuesday next week.

Yes there was a trick question in the quiz. Sleeping Beauty didn't take any bites from a poisoned apple. That was Snow White!

This week was the last week for borrowing in 2020, as books need to be returned for stocktake. Please send back any library books during the next two weeks. Also please check your shelves for any books with the West Pymble School barcode on the back. We have a number of books that are recorded as being in the library but cannot be found. Thank you.

Jane Matkovich
Teacher Librarian

Canteen

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This term the canteen will still only be open on Thursdays and Fridays. Online orders and over the counter sales will be available at both lunchtime and afternoon tea.

We are not serving breakfast yet, but we have brought back Up & Go which you can now order online for lunch and afternoon tea.

Our summer menu is now available with fresh fruit salad, caesar salad and a new flavour fruit snack cup: pineapple! You can now also order sushi for afternoon tea.

On Fridays you can order a GREEN Meal Deal which includes sushi of your choice, a salad bag and a juice.

Thankyou

The Canteen Team

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1786/canteen_menu_term_4.pdf

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1574/2020_frozen_treats_menu_term_3.pdf

Click below for how to order school lunches.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1763/school24.pdf

Uniform Shop

The Uniform Shop is back to normal opening times and will still operate under online only orders until restrictions are eased. If you need to exchange any items please send them in with your child/ren so it can be exchanged during these times.

2:30pm - 3:30pm Tuesday

8:30am - 9:30am Thursday

All enquires can be made direct to Excel Uniforms Phone 0405 506 383 or

Email : wpps@exceluniforms.com.au

Online: www.exceluniforms.com.au

(Logon: wpps Password: exceluniforms)

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1659/new_uniform_shop_price_list_august_2019.pdf

P&C

P&C General Meeting

There will be an Annual General meeting on Tuesday 1st December at 7.30pm. This will be a virtual meeting held on zoom. The first part of the meeting is the AGM which will be followed by the last General meeting for the year. If you would like to attend, please confirm by sending an email to: secretary@wppspnc.com.au

The current P&C team are nearing the end of the two year term. We are looking for the next team to take the reins to form the P&C executive committee for 2021-2022. The executive positions need to be voted in at the AGM on the 1st December. Being a member of the P&C is a fun and rewarding experience. It is a great way to contribute to the school community, meet new people and also have fun along the way. No prior experience is necessary.

The following roles are available:

President

Vice President

Vice President - Fundraising

Communications Manager

Treasurer

Secretary

If you feel that any of these roles would suit you, or you would like to ask questions about any of the roles, please send an email to president@wppspnc.com.au

Want to help or have a suggestion? Please contact a member of the P&C:

President: Vanessa Thompson president@wppspnc.com.au

Vice President: Natasha H vicepresident@wppspnc.com.au

Vice President: Lisa Corrigan fundraising@wppspnc.com.au

Secretary: Tamara Leo secretary@wppspnc.com.au


Treasurer: Jen Stokes treasurer@wppspnc.com.au

Communications officer:

Anjali

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Out Of School Care



WPOOSC
Casual Places

Do you have an early meeting or need a shopping day, or maybe you are meeting friends for a Christmas celebration and want the afternoon free, we have casual places available at Before & After School Care.

Call us on **9418 1918** or email coordinator@wpoosc.com.au

Community News

NET SET GO

Kool Kidzz St Ives

Macquarie University Holiday Program

Volunteer to teach Ethics



Ethics classes at West Pymble Public School

Dear Parents and Carers,

Are you passionate about teaching? Are you looking for something meaningful to do next year?

Could you be an ethics teacher 2020 for WPPS?

We are seeking volunteers so that we can provide ethics classes for all the families who have requested it for their children.

Ethics teachers receive full training by Primary Ethics, the not-for-profit organisation approved to design curriculum and training for the ethics program. Training consists of a two days workshop and short online modules. Lesson materials are provided. Suitable volunteers have an interest in children's education and development of critical thinking skills and would need to be available on Wednesday each week during the term time.

If you are looking for an opportunity to make a valuable contribution to our school, please visit www.primaryethics.com.au and/or contact Liliam Sheridan, ethics.wpps@gmail.com ph.0420204466

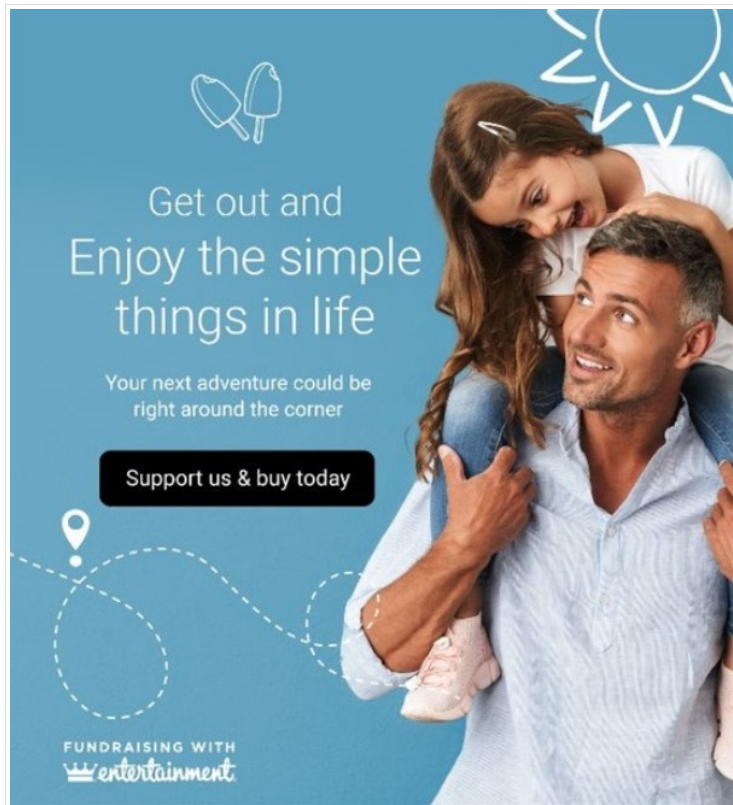
Liliam Sheridan

Healthy Lunch Box

Check out the New Healthy Lunch Box Website from the Cancer Council.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1845/food_safety_snippet_t4_w6.pdf

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The School App

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After School Activities At West Pymble Public School

Active and Creative Kids Program

The NSW Government is helping kids get active with the new Active Kids and Creative Kids program.

Parents, guardians and carers can apply for a voucher valued up to \$100 per calendar year for each student enrolled in school.

The Sports voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and membership costs for sport, fitness and active recreation activities.

The Creative voucher may be used with a registered activity provider for registration, participation and tuition costs for creative arts, speech, drama, dance, digital design, coding, and music lessons and activities.

The voucher can be used at any time during the calendar year it was issued. Apply online through www.service.nsw.gov.au.

Chess

We have Beginner, Basic and Intermediate classes starting.

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1785/chess_term_4_2020_flyer_for_west_pymble_ps.pdf

Art

Art Classes

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1529/hive_flyer_0306.pdf

Camerons Tennis School

Contact Chris Williams on 0418 688 803

https://westpymbleps.schoolzineplus.com/_file/media/1699/wp_t4_2020_and_sep_camp.pdf